

REMARKS

In the Notice of Allowability mailed December 28, 2010, the Examiner indicated on Form PTOL-37 that corrected drawings needed to be submitted. More specifically, page 2 of the Notice of Allowability stated that the drawings were objected to as failing to comply with 37 C.F.R. § 1.84(p)(5) because the Figures 4 and 10 include reference characters 440 and 1004, respectively, that were not mentioned in the specification.

In reviewing the specification and Figures 4 and 10, Applicant notes that minor corrections to the specification would remedy the problems referenced above, and avoid the necessity to amend Figures 4 and 10. Applicant respectfully submits that upon entry of the present amendment, the specification has been amended to provide an explicit reference to reference character 440 on specification page 26, and an explicit reference to reference character 1004 on specification page 39. Additionally, a few minor grammatical errors were also corrected in the same paragraph on specification page 39.

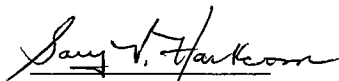
Applicant submits that upon entry of the present amendment, the inconsistencies between the specification and Figures 4 and 10 have been corrected. Accordingly, Applicant respectfully requests that the objection to drawings, and the related requirement to correct the drawings, be withdrawn.

Although this amendment is being submitted after the mailing of the Notice of Allowance, and although an amendment may not be made as a matter of right after the mailing of the Notice of Allowance, Applicant respectfully submits that entry of the present amendment is appropriate to eliminate the effect of minor inadvertent errors that were recently discovered by the Examiner and Applicant. Applicant also submits that the amendment does not require any additional search, that only a cursory review of the record is necessary, and that the amendment

does not involve materially additional work on the part of the USPTO. Accordingly, Applicant respectfully requests entry of the amendment under the provisions of 37 C.F.R. § 1.312.

Should there be any questions, the Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned at the below-listed telephone number.

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